

മിസ്റ്റർ കെ. പി. വള്ളോൻ.— ഈ പതിനഞ്ചു വീടുകളുടെ കാര്യത്തിൽ പ്രൊട്ടക്ടററൈറ്റിച്ച് ബാക്കി വല്ലവരേയ്ക്കൊണ്ട് അന്വേഷണം നടത്തിയോമോ?

രാമവർമ്മ തമ്പുരാൻ.— നോട്ടീസ് വേണം. ആലോചിച്ചു പറയുവാൻ ഒരു വിഷയമാണത്.

Appointment—Principal—Maharaja's College.

376. Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) how many times did Mr. Narasimha Pai act as the Director of Public Instruction since he became the Principal of the Maharaja's College;

(b) who acted as Principal of the Maharaja's College during the arrangement in (a);

(c) what are the academic qualifications of the gentlemen referred to in (a) and (b);

(b) what is the length of service in Cochin of the gentleman in (b);

(e) had not the gentleman referred to in (b) foreign service before he accepted Cochin service;

(f) has not the service referred to in (e) been given credit to the gentleman for purposes of pension.

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(a) Mr. Narasimha Pai once acted as Director of Public Instruction. On another occasion he was appointed to be in charge of the current duties of the Director of Public Instruction.

(b) Mr. K. Karunakaran Nayar acted as the Principal while Mr. Pai officiated as Director of Public Instruction.

(c) Mr. K. Narasimha Pai, B., A. L. T., trained Chemistry.

Mr. K. Karunakaran Nayar, M. A. (Zoology).

(d) 7½ years.

(e) Yes.

(f) Ten years of his service in Mysore has been allowed for the purpose of pension.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—May I know sir, for what length of period Mr. Karunakaran Nayar mentioned in this answer acted as Principal.

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—For about two months.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—During the period of principal-ship of Mr. Pai whose academic qualification is B. A., L. T. is not the Institution being worked very satisfactorily?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—The institution is working very satisfactorily.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—During the acting principal-ship of Mr. Karunakaran Nayar, who is M. A. (Zoology), was not the College working satisfactorily?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—There has been nothing against the administration then.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Is not Mr. Karunakaran Nayar the senior-most Professor in the College next to Mr. Pai?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—I want notice for that.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Will the Government be in a position to find it out from the Civil List that is available?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—The Civil List is not a sure criterion.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Does not the civil list correctly show the seniority of officers in the State.

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—There may be contentions about it. I want notice.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—May I know whether the information cannot be gathered by a reference to the Civil List.

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—It may not be absolutely correct procedure in all cases.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Has he not got 17½ years of teaching experience as a professor?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—No body denies that.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Does not the Government recognise the M. A. degree as something superior to the B. A.

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Certainly the very words indicate that it is so.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—May I know in the light of these observations here, why when they had an M. A. with 17½ years teaching experience and having acted as Principal for about 2½ months they found it necessary to advertise for a principal's post?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—That has been answered. That was to find out the best man for the place.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon.—Is there any other professor who has put in more service?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—There are.

Mr. M. Krishna Menon.—With the same M. A. qualification?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Yes.

Mr. M. Krishna Menon.—Is there not men with the same qualification who have put in more service?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Yes there are.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Is not Mr. Karunakaran Nair the chief professor of Natural Science?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—He is.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Is not Mr. Karunakaran Nayar a University Examiner?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—I want notice.

Dr. A. R. Menon.—Is it not the rule generally that when a vacancy occurs, the person who acted in that place before must be appointed?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—In many cases that has been the practice.

Dr. A. R. Menon.—Is it not the general practice? There may be exceptions. If a person is put to act during a temporary vacancy, generally he is given that place. Is it not?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—That is always a factor in his favour.

Dr. A. R. Menon.—That is the general rule, is it not so?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—I cannot generalise it.

Dr. A. R. Menon.—That is commonly the rule?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—I answered that question. It is always considered to be a point in his favour.

Dr. A. R. Menon.—We are so very thick-headed. The Secretary may kindly answer. I ask, is it not the common practice?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—I answered that in several cases acting promotions lead the way for permanent promotions.

Dr. A. R. Menon.—Then that is the general practice.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Is there not a Standing Order to the effect that when an officer is selected for acting posts, that would be considered as a preferential claim for him when the vacancy falls permanent?

Rama Varmha Tampuan.—The Standing Order is to the effect that when there is a vacancy it should be filled up very carefully so that it should be borne in mind that this will be a qualification in his favour.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—May I know whether in the appointment of Mr. Kurunakaran Nayar this standing order was strictly adhered to?

Rama Varmha Tampuan.—The Standing Order was in force then.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Whether the Standing Order was strictly adhered to, that is the question.

Rama Varmha Tampuan.—I do not think any further answer is necessary. When an order is in force, naturally it is always adhered to.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Why not we get a straight answer to a straight question?

Rama Varmha Tampuan.—That Standing Order was in force and it has been obeyed in filling up this vacancy.

Legislative Council Questions — Makaram Session.

377. Mr. Popatlal Gorerdhan Lalan.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) the number of questions received from the members for the attention of the Government during the last Makaram Session;

(b) the number disallowed;

(c) the number actually put for ballot;

(d) for the information of the House will the Government be pleased to place on the table a list of the questions received in time by them and allowed but for which no answers were received from the Head of Departments?

Mr. C. J. Mathew.—(a) 124.

(b) 10 were disallowed and two were returned to the members concerned for resubmission after amendment.

(c) Questions are not balloted.

(d) 44 questions were left unanswered. Copies of them are placed on the table.

Pullat bridge.

378. Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—